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## Curbside Cleanup final dates

June 7 (Portland to Penn - regular trash day, Tuesday) and June 14 (east of Portland - regular trash day, Monday).

Put out materials no more than two days before the pick-up and before 7 a.m. on pick-up day. If you miss the pick-up, call your regular trash hauler for disposal.

Those unable to handle materials should contact their Neighborhood Watch block captains or call the Human Services Information Line for volunteer availability, 952-563-4957 V/TTY.

For information, call the Solid Waste Section at 952-563-8750. ◆

#### Book 'em

Bloomington Crime **Prevention** Association's 11th Annual Used Book Sale will be held June 13-28 at 400 W. 84th Street. Hours are Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday -Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Proceeds fund crime and violence prevention <mark>initiatives. For i</mark>nformation call, 952-884-6210, 13 or e-mail: bookem@mn.rr.com. ◆

## Civic Plaza intersection improvements

n June and July, street construction will occur at the intersection of Logan Ave. and Old Shakopee Rd. Please access Bloomington Civic Plaza and Motor Vehicle from 98th St. and Logan Ave.



## Civil War 44

July 1 - 3 marks the 140th anniversary of one of the most important events in American history - the three-day battle between the Union and Confederate armies just outside Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

When the Civil War began in 1861, the First Minnesota Regiment was the first from a northern state to respond to President Lincoln's call for volunteers. Three hundred men from the First Minnesota fought at Gettysburg, a battle that was crucial to the outcome of the war.

The First Minnesota became one of the most famous regiments in Civil War history. On July 2, Gen. Winfield Scott Hancock ordered the undersized regiment to attack a much larger brigade of Alabamians. The result was devastating. The First Minnesota suffered an 82 percent loss of men, a record for the Union army, but halted the brigade and turned the tide of the battle at Gettysburg in favor of the Union.

On Memorial Day in 1890, 25 years after the Civil War had ended, townspeople erected an 11-foot monument in the City Cemetery to honor the Bloom-

ington soldiers who served in Company B of the First Minnesota Volunteers. Inscribed on the monument are the names of 44 men and four battles – Gettysburg, Antietam, Fort Blakely and Birch Coulee. The monument was the first in the state to honor Minnesota soldiers who fought in the Civil War. ◆

Bloomington Civic Plaza Open House

Friday, July 11, 2 - 7 p.m. Saturday, July 12, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. See page 4.





# Built from savings, dedicated to service

Churchill said, "People shape buildings. Thereafter they shape us." Mindful of this quote, a Facilities Task Force agreed that the redevelopment of City facilities would enhance the speed and quality of service to residents, and over time, the City's image of itself and its potential. In May 2000, the City Council authorized staff to assemble a sixparcel site to construct a new Police/City Hall/Arts Center facility based on the Task Force recommendation that current facilities were inadequate for the City's needs.

Completed on time and under budget, Bloomington Civic Plaza is a distinctive, welcoming building that reflects the community. The exterior materials, including copper, stone and brick, cost less than three-tenths of one percent more than the cost of an all-brick building.

#### **Community renewal**

The redevelopment of City facilities has already generated positive results. The new facility redeveloped a highly visible 15.6-acre parcel at 98th St. and Old Shakopee Rd. In addi-

tion, the City freed up the current municipal site for redevelopment. The value of housing on the current site, proposed by the developer Gregory Real Estate, is five to six times the value of all the properties that the City acquired for new facilities and will increase the City's tax base.

## **Built from savings**

A plaque on the outside of the current municipal building reads, "Built from savings, dedicated to progress." The new facility was built with the same philosophy of "savings" in mind. Bloomington Civic Plaza was constructed at a total cost of \$38 million, without increasing property taxes beyond 2002 levels. Since 1990, the City has been saving money for future facility needs in a Capital Replacement Fund that funded almost 80 percent of costs. Overall, long-term expenditures including operations and capital of all City facilities are only five percent of the City's General Fund Budget. For information on funding, see page CR8.

## **Dedicated to service**

When the current facility was built in 1964, "progress" was the theme of many grow-

ing communities. Today, Bloomington is a community that is renewing itself beyond its initial development and the new building's dedication, "Built from savings, dedicated to service" reflects quality facilities, built to serve our citizens and built to last. ◆

## Inaugural Council meeting

The plaque on the current municipal site will be removed and carried to Bloomington Civic Plaza and placed alongside the new dedication at an **inaugural Council meeting on June 2 at 7 p.m.** Councilmembers, the Facilities Task Force, City staff, flag bearers, police squads and fire trucks will begin the procession at Old Town Hall, move across the street to the current Council Chambers at 2215 W. Old Shakopee Rd., then proceed to the new Council Chambers at Bloomington Civic Plaza, 1800 W. Old Shakopee Rd.

#### **Serving you**

Bloomington Civic Plaza, which houses Police and City administrative functions, and Bloomington Center for the Arts, opens to serve the public on Tuesday, May 27. For more information, call Clark Arneson at 952-563-8921 or e-mail carneson@ci.bloomington.mn.us. ◆

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## Life is Like a Valued Patchwork

#### **Upcoming at Creekside**

Wednesday, June 25 **Homeland Security** and What it Means to **Bloomington** 

Police Lieutenant Paul McCullough will homeland discuss security, national alert levels and other issues including the smallpox vaccine.

Safety Festival and

Creekside Open House

Wednesday, July 23 Safe Use of **Medications** 

A Fairview pharmacist will present the difference between generic and brand name drugs, how to ensure medicines do what they are supposed to do and possible medication side effects.

## National Night Out

Bloomington's 20th annual National Night Out celebration will be held Tuesday, August 5. Last year, more than 12,000 residents from 294 neighborhoods joined forces in the effort to prevent crime. Police squads, K-9 units, fire trucks and paramedic units showed support by visiting block parties. Registration materials will soon be sent to block captains. For more information, call 952-563-8808. ◆



McGruff hangs out with neighborhood youth at last year's National Night Out event.

# Bloomington Center for the Arts

1800 West Old Shakopee Road Phone 952-563-4777

Upcoming events at our new facility:

#### Art Center Gallery Players presents... Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap"

When: Wednesdays - Saturdays,

June 25 - 28, July 9 - 12, 16 - 19.

Cost:

**Tickets:** Call the Center for the Arts.

## Cheng-Khee Chee -Retrospective 1890 - 2003

Bloomington Center for the Arts presents Duluth artist Cheng-Khee Chee - the most prominent watercolor artist in Minnesota.

June 15 - July 26. When:

**Opening:** Reception, Sunday, June 15, 5 – 8 p.m.

#### Summer arts programs

he Bloomington Fine Arts Council will offer many new programs and activities this summer beginning June 23 at the new Bloomington Center for the Arts. Classes include yoga, ballet, dance, drawing, painting and jewelry-making. For a brochure or more information, call Brenda Blume at 952-563-8881.

Sergeant Charles Gollop discusses safety tips with festival

he 3rd Annual Bloomington Safety Festival and Creekside Open House will be held Saturday, August 16, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Creekside Community Center, 9801 Penn Ave. S. Visit the woodshop, boutique, lapidary, poolroom and buyer's club during the open house. Gather safety-related information from one of the many interactive exhibits including:

- SWAT Team and Bomb Squad equipment and procedures.
- MADD Crash Car.

attendees.

Fire truck and smoke-filled house demos. ◆

## Bloomington Fire Chief honored



he Bloomington Rotary Daymakers honored Fire Chief Ulie Seal with the Daymaker of the Year Award this past February. Nominators called him a "renowned expert" in technical rescue, hazardous materials and weapons of mass destruction. Chief Seal has been a member of the Fire Department for 26 years, serving as firefighter, captain, deputy chief and chief. He is also Assistant Fire Chief of the Minneapolis Fire Department. The Daymaker of

the Year Award is presented annually to persons who have made a substantial contribution to the community.

Fire Chief Seal also earned the professional designation of "Chief Fire Officer" by the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC). Chief Seal is one of approximately 200 fire chiefs throughout the country to receive this designation and has been invited to receive this award at an IAFC convention later this year. ◆



## On the cutting edge

he Creekside Woodshop is open to seniors, age 55 and over, and

adults with disabilities. A variety of machines are available. Bring your own wood. A foreman is on duty from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Cost is \$1 per day. •

## **Bloomington City Council**

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# PARKS, RECREATION & ARTS UPDATE

Parks and Recreation, 952-563-8877; Web site: www.ci.bloomington.mn.us

# Summer Programs for Youth

o register, call Parks and Recreation or download a registration form at www.ci.bloomington.mn.us.

#### Tiny Tots Mini-Camp

Ages 3 - 6.

pre-school children discover the world through group play, music, crafts, story-telling and nature activities. A 1:10 teacher/student ratio is maintained. Children must be at least three years old and toilet-trained by the first day of each session.

When: Monday - Thursday,

June 16 - 19. Session 1 Session 2 June 23 - 26. Session 3 July 7 - 10. Session 4 July 14 - 17. Session 5 July 21 - July 24. Session 6 July 28 - July 31. Session 7 Aug. 4 - 7.

Where: Moir Park Shelter #2, 104th and Morgan Avenue S.

Time: 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Cost: \$55.

## Summer Adventure Playgrounds

#### Ages 6 - 12.

oin your friends for games, sports, story time, arts and crafts, carnivals and special weekly events. Adult supervisors are experienced in recreation and youth leadership.

Monday - Friday, June 16 - August 8. When:

(Thursday, July 4 - no program.)

Brookside, Bryant, Brye, Kelly, Poplar Bridge, Run-Where:

ning, Smith, Sunrise and Westwood Parks.

Time: 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

\$25 full program; \$.50 daily. Field trip extra. **Cost:** 

#### Day Camp Kota

#### Ages 7 - 12.

amp Kota provides an opportunity to learn basic camping skills and to develop an appreciation for the outdoors. Children will explore nature crafts, nature study, knots, camp craft skills and meal preparation. Activities include swimming, canoeing, arts and crafts, games, field trips and an overnight camp.

When: Monday - Friday.

> Session 1 July 28 - Aug. 1. Session 2 Aug. 4. - Aug. 8. Session 3 Aug. 11 - 15. Session 4 Aug. 18 - 22.

Where: Bush Lake Picnic Shelter #3, 9140 East Bush Lake.

Time: 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. **Cost:** \$130 per week.

**Register:** Call Parks and Recreation. ◆

## Adult Sports

#### Adult Tennis Lessons - USA Tennis 1-2-3

Who: Ages 18 and over.

**Skill level:** *I - Instruction:* Learn basic skills with innovative

teaching techniques, drills and games.

II - Supervised Play: Low-key doubles play. Learn strategy, tiebreakers, scoring and service rotation

with a variety of tennis players.

Where: **Dred Scott**, 10820 Bloomington Ferry Road. When:

Session I Monday/Wednesday, June 9 - 25,

Level I: 6 p.m.; Level II: 7 p.m. Session II Monday/Wednesday, July 7 - 23

Level I: 7 p.m.; Level II: 8 p.m.

Mon/Wed, July 28 - August 13 Session III

Level I: 7 p.m.; Level II: 8 p.m.

\$45 per person for six one-hour lessons. **Cost: Class size:** Minimum 4 students; maximum 8.

Pre-registration required. Call Parks and Recreation.

### Daytime Volleyball

ere is your chance to exercise and enjoy volleyball during the mornings. All games are played at the Bloomington National Guard Training Center. You don't need a team; just show up. Teams are formed each week.

When: All year, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

**Cost:** \$1.25 per session. ◆

## Swimming

## **Bloomington Family Aquatic Center**

#### 301 E. 90th Street

oin your friends and neighbors for another fun-filled season at the Bloomington Family Aquatic Center! Purchase season passes at the Parks and Recreation office or at the Center beginning June 7.

When: June 7 - August 24.

Time: Noon - 8 p.m.

Cost: **Daily** Admission After 5 p.m.

Free	Free	
\$4	\$3	
\$6	\$4	
\$4	\$3	
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#### **Season passes:**

Family (2 people):

Resident	\$60 + \$10 each add'l + tax.
Non-Resident	\$110 + \$10 each add'l + tax.
Individual	
Resident	\$30 + tax.
Non-Resident	\$55 + tax.

#### **Bush Lake Beach**

#### 9140 E. Bush Lake Road

ive in to a day at the beach! Bush Lake Beach features a beach house with changing rooms and a concession stand. When: June 7 - August 24, noon - 8 p.m.

## Swimming Lessons

wimming lessons are taught to children, age 5 and older, by American Red Cross Water Safety Instructors. Each nine-lesson session meets weekdays for two weeks. Enrollment is limited. If weather requires cancellation, Fridays are reserved for make-up lessons. Students demonstrate their skills on the first day of each session and may be transferred to a skill level better suited to their abilities.

Session I June 16 - 20, June 23 - 27. When: Session II July 7 - 11, July 14 - 18.

July 21 - 25, July 28 - August 1. Session III Times: 10:15 - 10:55 a.m. or 11:05 - 11:45 a.m.

Where: Levels I - V Aquatic Center/Bush Lake Beach.

Levels VI - VII Aquatic Center only.

**\$37.** ◆ Cost:

# Summer Sign-Ups

#### BAA Football

Youth, grades 3 - 7.

When: Tuesday, July 8 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 10 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, July 12 8 a.m. - noon. Where: BAA Equipment Bldg., 102nd and Nicollet. Player should be present for weigh-in and helmet fitting.

Fee:

For more information, call Jim Thomas at 612-580-2243.

## **BAA Soccer**

Youth, grades 1 - 9.

When: Tuesday, July 22 7 - 9 p.m. Thursday, July 24 7 - 9 p.m. Saturday, July 26 9 a.m. - noon. Wednesday, July 30 7 - 9 p.m.

Creekside Community Center, 98th and Penn. Where:

Fee:

For more information, call Jeff Sahr at 952-457-1997.

#### Hockey

Where:

Youth, ages 5 - 18. (Mites through Junior Gold.)

Jefferson youth - August 19, 27 and Sept. 4. Call Roger Hovey at 952-831-0053.

Kennedy youth - August 28 and Sept. 5, 7. Call Tom Dupont at 952-881-8581.

Bloomington Athletic Association hockey registration for these same ages takes place in early September. Call the information line at 952-888-0807 or visit www.baaonline.org. ◆

# Bloomington Ice Garden, 3600 W. 98th St.

arks and Recreation, Community Education and the Bloomington Art Center provide great opportunities to participate in sports, art classes, educational programs and more.

For information, call 952-563-8877, E-mail spectrum@ci.bloomington.mn.us or www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keyword: "spectrum." ◆

# AR&LE

## Adaptive Recreation and Learning Exchange

**R&LE** offers specially Adesigned programs for youth and adults with disabilities. These programs are offered through a collaboration of the cities of Bloomington, Richfield, Edina and Eden Prairie, as well as the Learning Exchange and the Community Education Adults with Disabilities program. For information, visit www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keywords: "adaptive recreation." ◆

#### Galaxy Youth Center 8900 Portland Ave. S.

Who:

Youth, grades 6 - 9.

When: June 16 - Aug. 15. M - F 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Closed Friday, July 4 and weekends.

## Cost:

Summer pass \$100; Daily \$4.

**Activities:** Leadership training, field trips, open gym, community service projects, cooking, crafts, arts and more.

Facilities: Game room, computer center, TV lounge, pool and gym.

#### **Thursday nights:**

Barbecues, dances, talent shows and lock-ins.

Galaxy is a partnership between the City of Bloomington, Bloomington Public Schools and other community organizations. For information, call 952-886-8548. ◆

## Arts in the Parks

With puppets and plays, jazz and jugglers, Bloomington parks come alive with entertainment this summer! Bring a blanket or a lawn chair to sit back and enjoy a variety of performing artists and special events.

For more information or in case of inclement weather, call the Bloomington Parks and Recreation 24-hour information line at 952-563-8878.



JUNE		
M 16 10:30 a.m.	Monday Morning in the Park Series, Wonderful World of Woody	Smith
Tu 17 7 p.m.	Note-able Singers	Normandale Bandshell
Su 22 12:30 - 4 p.m.	Sandcastles Wiggle, Jiggle and Jam; Kit 'n Kaboodle	Bush Lake Beach
M 23 10:30 a.m.	Monday Morning in the Park Series, Brian Richards Magic Show	Moir
Tu 24 7 p.m.	Normandale Lake Performances Series, Calhoun-Isles Community Band	Normandale Bandshell
Th 26 7 p.m.	Normandale Lake Performances Series, Biera Mar Brasil	Normandale Bandshell
M 30 10:30 a.m.	Monday Morning in the Park Series, Splatter Sisters	Normandale Bandshell

Su ZZ	12:30 - 4 p.m.	Wiggle, Jiggle and Jam; Kit 'n Kaboodle	bush lake beach
M 23	10:30 a.m.	Monday Morning in the Park Series, Brian Richards Magic Show	Moir
Tu 24	7 p.m.	Normandale Lake Performances Series, Calhoun-Isles Community Band	Normandale Bandshell
Th 26	7 p.m.	Normandale Lake Performances Series, Biera Mar Brasil	Normandale Bandshell
M 30	10:30 a.m.	Monday Morning in the Park Series, Splatter Sisters	Normandale Bandshell
JULY	/		
Th 3	5-10 p.m.	Summer Fete	Normandale Bandshell
111 0	5 - 9 p.m. 5 -6 p.m. 6:30 - 8 p.m.	Carnival games (84th and Normandale) Teddy Bear Band Power of 10	Normandale Bandsheil
	8:30 - 9:50 p.m. Dusk	Medalist Concert Band, soloist Carolyn Pr	ratt
M 7	10:30 a.m.	Monday Morning in the Park Series, Schiffelly Puppets	Valley View
Tu 8	7 p.m.	Normandale Lake Performances Series, Sweet Adelines	Normandale Bandshell
Th 10	7 p.m.	Normandale Lake Performances Series, Monroe Crossing	Normandale Bandshell
F 11	7 p.m.	Shakespeare in the Park "MacBeth"	Normandale Bandshell
F 11	2 - 7 p.m.	Bloomington Civic Plaza <b>OPEN HOUSE</b>	1800 W. Old Shakopee
Sa 12	10 a.m 3 p.m.	Bloomington Civic Plaza <b>OPEN HOUSE</b>	1800 W. Old Shak <mark>opee</mark>
M 14	10:30 a.m.	Monday Morning in the Park Series, Underwater Adventures	Sunrise
Tu 15	7 p.m.	Normandale Lake Performances Series, Eden Prairie Community Band	Normandale Bandshell
Th 17	7 p.m.	Normandale Lake Performances Series, Flavor	Normandale Bandshell
M 21	10:30 a.m.	Monday Morning in the Park Series, Bells and Whistles	Running
M 21	7:30 p.m.	Talent Show Auditions	Creekside Center
Tu 22	7 p.m.	Normandale Lake Performances Series, Bloomington Symphony Orchestra	Normandale Bandshell
Th 24	7 p.m.	Normandale Lake Performances Series, Barbary Coast	Normandale Bandshell
F 25	7 p.m.	Talent Show	Normandale Bandshell
M 28	10:30 a.m.	Monday Morning in the Park Series, Steve and Friends Ventriloquism	Brye
Tu 29	7 p.m.	Selah Porter	Normandale Bandshell
Th 31	7 p.m.	Normandale Lake Performances Series, Lehto and Wright	Normandale Bandshell
M 4	10:30 a.m.	Monday Morning in the Park Series, Minnesota Zoomobile	Moir
Tu 5	7 p.m.	Normandale Lake Performances Series, Jerry Kosak	Normandale Bandshell
Th 7	7 p.m.	Normandale Lake Performances Series, John Philip Sousa Band	Normandale Bandshell
M 11	10:30 a.m.	Monday Morning in the Park Series, Wiggle, Jiggle and Jam	Smith
Tu 12	7 p.m.	Normandale Lake Performances Series, Holy Emmanuel Praise Team	Normandale Bandshell
Th 14	7 p.m.	Normandale Lake Performances Series, moZiak	Normandale Bandshell
Su 17	1 - 5 p.m. 1 - 1:45 p.m. 2 - 3:15 p.m. 3:45 - 5 p.m.	Bloomington Jazz Festival Red Wolfe's "Ellington Echoes" Memorial Avalon Rare Medium	Normandale Bandshell Band
M 18	10:30 a.m.	Monday Morning in the Park Series, Mike Monson	Bryant
Sa 20	9 a.m 4 p.m.	River Rendezvous	Pond-Dakota Mission

#### Locations

**Bryant Park** 1001 W. 85th St. **Brye Park** 10500 Xavier Ave. S. Bush Lake Beach. 9140 E. Bush Lake Rd. **Creekside Center** 9900 Newton Ave. S. **Moir Park** 104th and Morgan Ave. S.

Normandale Lake Bandshell

84th and Chalet Rd.

**Pond-Dakota Mission Park** 401 E. 104th St. **Running Park** 9501 12th Ave. S. **Smith Park** 8155 Ave. **Sunrise Park** 9401 Bloomington Ferry Rd. Valley View Park 9000 Portland Ave. S.

## Summer Fete's 25th Anniversary

elebrate 25 years of music and fun at the Normandale ▶ Bandshell on Thursday, July 3, at 5 p.m. Enjoy entertainment, fireworks and refreshments. Exhibit your skills with carnival games sponsored by the Bloomington Rotary Club. Park across 84th St.

#### **Summer Fete needs your assistance**

Use the envelope recently sent in your water bill or call 952-563-8877 for details on ordering Summer Fete t-shirts and buttons or to make a donation. •

## **Bloomington Civic Plaza** Open House

Friday, July 11, 2 - 7 p.m. Saturday, July 12, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

ome celebrate the opening of the new Bloomington Civic Plaza! Activities taking place at 1800 W. Old Shakopee Rd. include:

- Dedication program and ribbon-cutting, July 12 at 11 a.m.
- Tours.
- Music and entertainment.
- Historical and arts displays. ◆

## Arts in the Parks Audition/Talent Show

his annual show features amateur talent in the performing arts. Individuals or groups earn recognition or special awards. To audition, you must supply information about your specific talents and list any stage experience.

**Audition:** Monday, July 21, 7:30 p.m.; Creekside Center. **Talent Show:** Friday, July 25, 7 p.m.; Norm. Bandshell. ◆

#### American Cancer Society's

#### Relay for Life

When: Friday - Saturday, August 1 - 2. Where: Lincoln Stadium, 8900 Queen Ave. S.

oin in fundraising efforts to eliminate cancer. For more information, call Suzanne Kienietz at 952-941-0984. ◆

### **Bloomington Athletic Association** 18-Hole Golf Scramble and Scholarship Fundraiser

When: Sunday, August 17. Time: Tee times begin at 11 a.m.

Where: Dwan Golf Course, 3301 W. 110th St.

Cost: \$65 per person includes cart, food and prizes. orporate sponsors and prize donations are needed. For more information, call Jim Hunt at 952-830-0908. ◆

## Bloomington Jazz Festival

Sunday, August 17, 1 - 5 p.m. When: Normandale Lake Park. Where:

Aake this event a "must see" this summer! Park in the ramp of the 8500 Normandale Lake Office Park on 84th Street. Refreshments are available. Enjoy an afternoon of jazz from the Ellington Echoes, Avalon and Rare Medium. ◆

## River Rendezvous... A step back in time

Saturday, September 20. When: Where: Pond-Dakota Mission Park.

River Rendezvous authentically depicts 19th century life with historic reenactments of life on the frontier - the fur trade/voyageur era of Native American and early settlers. Highlights include musical performances, theater, games and demonstrations. For more information or to volunteer, call 952-563-8886. ◆